

CENTRAL ILLINOIS LIGHT COMPANY)
d/b/a AmerenCILCO)
CENTRAL ILLINOIS PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY)
d/b/a AmerenCIPS)
ILLINOIS POWER COMPANY)
d/b/a AmerenIP)
Approval of the Energy Efficiency and)
Demand-Response Plan)

REPLY TO JOINT RESPONSE TO APPLICATION FOR REHEARING

1. On March 7, 2008 the Ameren Illinois Utilities, in conjunction with the Staff of the Illinois Commerce Commission (“Staff”), filed their Joint Application for Rehearing with respect to the Illinois Commerce Commission’s Final Order of February 6, 2008 (“Final Order”) in the above-referenced docket. The Ameren Illinois Utilities and the Staff sought specific relief based on the arguments and the record cited therein.

2. On March 11, 2008, the Administrative Law Judge issued a notice permitting parties to file a response to the Application for Rehearing to be due on March 17, 2008, and permitting replies thereto on March 19, 2008. Presumably, the Administrative Law Judge intended for parties that filed a response to the Application for Rehearing, to either agree or disagree with the requested relief, and provide arguments related to the respective position.

3. In the Joint Response, “Respondents take no position on the factual and legal issues raised at Applicants’ filing.” Joint Response at 2. Nonetheless, Respondents then bring to the Commission’s attention what they believe to be “consensus” on a process regarding the retention of an independent evaluator. It is fair to say there have been encouraging discussions surrounding the protocols to consider in retaining an independent evaluator. Further, it is the Ameren Illinois Utilities’ intention to remain faithful to the Commission’s Final Order whereby the Ameren Illinois Utilities’ advisory group would be in place to consider matters pertaining to the retention or activities of an independent evaluator (as Respondents acknowledge at Joint Response, fn. 2), but to take into account the sentiments of stakeholders and other interested parties in the context of an advisory group setting.

Dated: March 18, 2008


Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Edward C. Fitzhenry, hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing was served electronically via Illinois Commerce Commission e-Docket, and to all parties of record, on this 18th day of March, 2008.



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